

Minutes

Coventry Fire District

Board of Engineers

District Officers

Planning and Advisory Board

Nov. 8 2006 7:00 p.m.

Ch. Warren reported that the budget is still not completed. E and his group are still working on it.

Ch. Warren reported on the arrival of the new rescue truck. Department members are working on equipping the unit. The 2 radios and speakers are being installed. Hit should be in service with a week.

Mr. G. Cote asked who authorized the purchase of the rescue truck. Ch. Warren responded that the Board of engineers authorized the purchase.

Elections at the Annual meeting

Ch. Warren outlined the positions open for election, as follows: Chief of Department, Tax Assessors; 5 members of the Board of directors, and 2nd Asst. Board member.

Ms. J. Leroux and Mr. G. Cote questioned the manner of voting at the meeting. Hand or ballot Vote?

Mr. C. Burns and ms. Leroux stated that it must be paper ballot vote.

Ms. Leroux reported that nomination papers are due be the 12th of November. That is a Sunday and Mr. Burns stated that the papers

may be accepted until noon on Monday. Ch. Warren warns of maybe a challenge.

Ms. J. Lukowicz presented the tax collectors report. Total taxes collected were \$1, 362,505.05. Total back taxes are \$207,308.68 as of Nov. 8th 2006.

Ch. Warren reviewed the sale of the old rescue units. He reported on the receipt of a note in the amount of \$150,000.

Open discussion

Mr. D. Hood discussed the rental house of the district. Ch. Warren has a prospect for the sale of the property. He will check the various conditions of sale with a realtor.

Mr. D. Terraciano questioned the responsibilities on the sale and conditions of the property.

Mr. C. Burns explained the matters and conditions of the sale.

Ch. Warren wants no liability on the district connected with the sale.

Mr. C. Golomb questioned the no smoking within the building. Ch. Warren explained the regulations and the law.

Mr. C. Burns reported on the availability of a booklet on the matter from the Board of Health.

Mr. J. Golomb questioned the legality of resolutions at the last annual meeting.

Mr. C. Burns explained the various factors involved.

Mr. G. Cote noted that the R.I. Legislature made the Law concerning the Charter change.

Ch. Warren expressed his opinion on the matter.

Mr. C. Burns expressed his view on the Board of directors.

Mr. R. Carlow, a firemen, expressed thoughts on the matter.

Mr. G. Cote expressed his thoughts on the Board of Directors duties and on the resolutions.

Mr. Burns also discussed the matter involved.

Ms. Leroux read the Act that was passed by the R.I. Legislature concerning the Board of Directors.

Ch. Warren will meet with Mr. Sullivan, a co-sponsor, for an opinion on the matter. He also requested that Mr. Cote contact Mr. Sullivan for an explanatory meeting by next Wednesday the 15th of November at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Burns spoke of taxpayer requests for a more detailed report on spending when reports are presented at the annual meeting.

Mr. Terraciano stated that the budget group is working on it.

Mr. J. Perry, a fireman, questioned work on the ramp leading to the station. Ch. Warren reported that the Town of Coventry would repair it.

Ch. Warren reported that the tile and rug in the crew quarters will be replaced after a rain check is made to be sure there are no leaks.

Mr. Terraciano questioned the charges made to patients for medical transport. Ch. Warren explained the system and referred the explanation to ms. Leroux for clarity.

Ch. Warren stated that Comstar will be the clearing agency for the district starting next year.

Mr. Cote spoke on the proper direction of election issues.

Ms. Leroux questioned a proposal for a 5-year contract for a new Department Chief.

Mr. Burns also expressed his feelings on the matter.

Mr. Burns reported on changes that should be made to the District Charter in the R.I. Legislature. A motion should be made at the Annual Meeting.

Mr. C. Golomb motions for the meeting to adjourn, seconded by Mr. G. Cote. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Golomb, Clerk